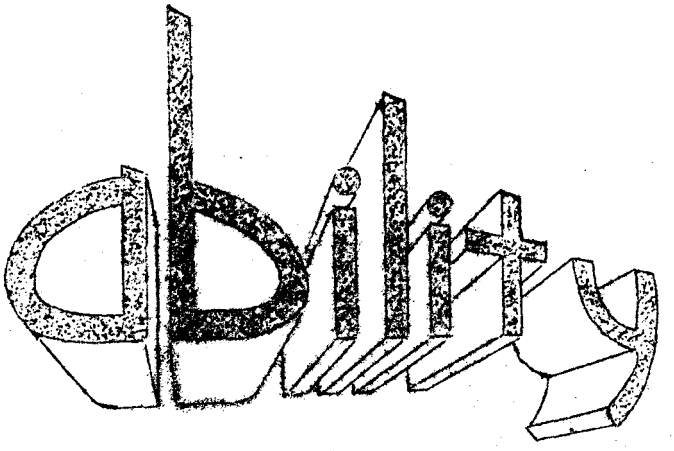
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The Dynamics

By John Sanborn

The word Scientology, taken from SCIO (knowing in the fullest sense of the word) and LOGOS (to study and examine), today states a fact which is important to you and which is important to me, and by that word or not, as the case may be, it is important to us because it concerns LIFE and that quality of life which is elemental, and without which there is not life -- the quality of knowingness, or understanding.

As we go into the subject of The Dynamics you will notice that knowingness is indeed a keynote in the broad adventure upon which Man (life) is engaged. With modern Scientology we have the organized body of knowledge which is predicted in the word Scientology itself.

Only a scarce thirty years back from this year 1956 there was no such body of knowledge. There was knowledge, unorganized. There could be such specialties as a mathematics or a biology or just about anything you could name or notice. (Con't. on page 2)

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The biggest Congress news is that L. Ron Hubbard, Founder of Dianetics and Scientology, now in England, will be here in Washington for the Congress.

The lesser news, but also important, is that with Ron coming home in August the dates of the Congress are now moved across the summer into late August - probably August 29, 30, 31 and September 1. We hope this is an even better date for all of you. Watch ABILITY for further Congress News.

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There was until very recently no science which concerned life, and no order whatever in the investigation of life by Man. All was too narrow in scope, too indirect in application, too subject to confusion -- not because the specialties are not good and worthwhile subjects, but because they do not contain the alignment and increase of knowing about knowing.

In Scientology, the knowing of knowing how to know, we find that we have also the codification of the basics of Life itself.

A science of knowing would be then the science of sciences.

Thus we have first the word Scientology thirty years ago as the prediction by L. Ron Hubbard of a body of organized knowledge (a science) about knowledge itself.

Then in 1950 we have the introduction in Dianetics (which means simply "through mind") of Man to the use of Scientology in an application to the problems of the human mind -- a psychotherapy.

A psychotherapy would be by definition an increase of the dynamic of an individual through address to the mind (knowingness) of the individual. For it is readily observed and easily tested that the common denominator of health, mental and physical, is the dynamic present. Healthy or unhealthy mean simply, dynamic more or dynamic less.

Dianetics was and is such a therapy first because it is aligned and then because it is aligned toward the dynamics, the only possible direction for what can factually be described as a therapy.

The keynote of advance in Scientology has been and continues to be its practicality. There are numerous and abundant avenues of research into which one who knows his Scientology could move which would perhaps not have this mark of practicalness. In the alignment of Scientology is found a methodology which can readily enter and resolve the fields of specialties, and indeed this would probably be done in another age and with different conditions.

It is the intention of Scientologists to bring about just such an age in our own time. An age where the urgency of atom bombs and political stupidity (Dialectical Materialism) is not present. In other words, a civilization - where man is at least civil to man.

The state of Today on Earth is keeping Scientology in an almost emergency status as the only codified and concerted effort in existence to inject sanity (understanding) into the chaos wrought by the apathy called materialism.

Before going into a discussion of the Dynamics it is well to point out and to accent one fact: the factor in life which monitors the height and breadth of the Dynamics is the single, native quality of Life, possessed by Life only and not by its creations - that factor is ability.

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eight dynamics

by John Sanborn

The first point upon which an investigation of life either makes headway or founders is the following tested and very workable datum:

"The dynamic principle of life is - Survive!" There can be investigation and even actual discovery without this principle: however - the reward of such investigation is something far short of the actual increase of understanding about Life. The axiom is that basic.

The second point upon which such investigation does depend is exactly equal in importance to the datum of Survival. This is simply that there are several dynamics, and that survival does not mean survival of only one of these dynamics but of ALL of them. When one speaks

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of "mere" survival it is of this split from the total dynamic that he speaks. Usually you mean by mere survival the survival of the body, but without great interest, and in the absence of much pleasure.

You have heard of the philosophy that everything one does is out of "self-ishness". We could almost explain human behavior in such terms. We could never quite finish the explanation, however.

There are in fact eight dynamics. All of them are known and familiar to some extent by everyone. How they exist as an interdependent group of activities and motivations is less generally noticed, if, for that matter, it has been noticed at all before Scientology. It has, at any rate, not been used and put to work and codified before by Man. Any theory is only good so far as it works and is put to work.

When we are talking about life itself and existence itself, anything which works works because it increases life. It works because it predictably and surely makes abundant the qualities which set life apart from non - life, or, phenomena.

Now the following is a description of the Eight Dynamics with which and through which Life achieves survival and those subdivisions of survival we call pleasure, happiness, well - being, sanity, ability:

I. The First Dynamic is Man's urge for survival for himself as an organism and as an individual personality.

This, when specialized upon, is called "selfishness", and occasionally, vanity. It is not attained, however, by specialization.

II. The Second Dynamic is Man's urge toward survival as a future generation. Various attempts at the creation of a therapy which attributed all to the Second Dynamic decayed with the passage of time.

The Second Dynamic includes the sexual act, the partnership of marriage, and the creation of other individuals. It includes also the education and rearing of the young toward survival.

III. The Third Dynamic is the survival of groups. With such theories as communism and fascism, or simply old-time despotism, the group is considered the only important thing, and all other dynamics are suppressed in its favor. They do not produce survival.

A group can be a nation, a city, a church, a political party or simply a number of friends or business associates.

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Any group accomplishes survival as well as it understands and aligns toward the survival not only of itself but of all other dynamics.

The margin upon which one dynamic can succeed without the other seven

is narrow indeed. Notice, for instance, the late Roman Emperors, or Sparta, the seed of communist militarism. Sparta is remembered today not for a high degree of survive, but for a spectacular sucuumb.

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IV. The Fourth Dynamic is the urge of the individual toward survival for mankind, the urge of the group toward the survival of mankind and the urge of mankind toward survival. It is noted that in the subjection of the other dynamics to this single dynamic the survival of this dynamic is not enhanced. Any plan calling for "World Government" which called also for the breaking up of groups and nations would be such a plan.

V. Man's urge to survive as a life form and to cause all life forms to survive is called the FIFTH DYNAMIC. This again is not the only dynamic, and where it is called the only one there is a lessening of the Dynamics.

VI. The Sixth Dynamic is survival through and of the physical universe and the parts thereof. It is composed of matter, energy, space and time ("MEST"); it, too, is considered to be the only dynamic and the only thing of any importance by some. Those would hold that man exists by virtue of mud having one day become animated. The attention of such a one is fixed upon the control of MEST and his finger on the button of an atom bomb becomes less and less reliable.

VII. The Seventh Dynamic is the dynamic of thought, the human spirit, imagination, opinion, consideration and "that which views" as opposed to that which is viewed. Any survival expected without the dynamic of thought is awaited in vain. Were we to have an enforcement of education (called by any name) or an inhibition of education we would have disaster to the degree that this dynamic was so handled.

VIII. For a long time people have been talking about and fighting for and dying because of the Eighth Dynamic. Every Sunday morning people go to church to express their belief that the universe is created or was created. Two or three thousand years ago the Greeks (but not the Spartans) were talking about the Prime Mover Unmoved. Every time the problems of the origin of the physical universe comes up we have to postulate a Creator or else have no answer to give. In any society, where the freedom to give this answer is suppressed, or even in a society where it must be given though without actual understanding, the other dynamics go into fast decay.

There are two directions in which the main Dynamic or any one of the Eight Dynamics can go. There is a choice. Survive or succumb.

The ultimate goal of the Dynamic is infinite survival. Where any part of the Dynamic or where all of the Dynamic is suppressed and mis-aligned we see a scale of survive versus succumb.

We have then, a gradient scale of survival from, at the bottom, total succumb, to a top, infinite survival, with the ratio of survive to succumb defining any particular level on the scale.

Happiness, well-being, freedom, sanity, all these words describe something which is common to all of them - the will to survive, the ability to survive, the alertness to and responsibility for every one of the eight parts of the main Dynamic.

We have named here the Eight DYnamics. We have stated the Central Dynamic of Life in this universe, found that the eight named parts constitute the central dynamic. We have discovered that the direction and motivation of Life is the dynamic of survival.

The value of this understanding and analysis of the Central Dynamic of Life lies in its use.

This demands the actual assumption of the many, many roles of life and the practical application of the basic principles of life.

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applying the principle of the dynamics

by John Sanborn

When we go on to further consideration of the Dynamics to discover further its use to us in the affairs of men and existences, there is to be noted a certain order of expansion of these Dynamics. This has a great deal to do with their correct use and increase. It is the fact that they expand or add one to the other upward through from self to spirit (or thought, the activity of spirit), the Seventh Dynamic.

Dynamic Seven can be said actually to embrace and contain all the Dynamics from One through Six. Dynamic Three (groups) is seen to include One (self) and Two (sex and family). This is quite easily seen at this level, and with some observation becomes clear at all levels up to Seven.

From this we can notice a possible avenue of activity on the Dynamics, by which they can be increased.

Dynamic Eight, it is to be noted, does not fall within the science here, but is noted and indicated only. Dynamic Eight, as we are in any way concerned with it, is a question not of doing something specific about it, but of seeing that it or an inversion of it is not used as a depressor to Life. This can be extremely aberrative. An example of this would be a stupid or embittered man enforcing the idea upon a child that the universe was not created, but is just an accident (materialism). Children inquire about these things.

The avenue of approach to the Dynamics is seen in the creation of a functioning group. When a group is formed, before it will become functional the members must become real as individuals. They must be real to one another as members also of sexual partnerships, or potential members, and as creators of progeny. Then groups other than their group must be real to them as a group, which is to say that they must be aware of the reality of other groups, such as the nation or the community. The group will then be able to function in society. It will be able to expand into the Fourth Dynamic, Mankind. Such is the enlarging or opening out of any Dynamic when it is to function.

Having looked at this datum of the Eight Dynamics as we have been doing in the preceding articles, you may have taken note of some of the areas in our national life where this could be of use. With the above principle of expanding dynamic applied, society would make strides. Actually if the government, say, of just one state, or perhaps even the educational system, were to begin to align and operate in some fairly clear way in the direction of survival on the first four Dynamics alone, we might see in a very short time a surge of life in America something on the order of what the founding fathers of this nation envisaged in their fondest dreams. The presence of a large and dynamic portion of a nation would act thus on the whole.

The degree to which and the speed with which the Dynamics are arousable is quite incredible to one who has put this principle to work for the first time.

The country is not going to rack and ruin due to a few scoundrels. Even Russia, the lair of the finest pack of scoundrels ever depicted in flesh, even Russia is not going to rack and ruin because of these few. The degree and speed with which a nation succumbs is the result of its breadth of unalignment. The more any dynamic becomes mis-aligned, which is to say, reversed and crossed and at odds with its own directiveness, the more apparent becomes its will to succumb and its disinterest in survival. Even an automobile will take on this apparency, when it begins to fall apart in one way or another. It burns oil, it gets arthritis of the fuel line, its fenders develop an affinity for concrete posts. It seems bent upon self destruction and the state of junk.

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could tell him some things. You can, but you have to tell him the right things and those things are going to have to be things that he can understand. Since his trouble is mis-alignment (chaos), what you are going to tell him must be something that he can align. It must further be something by which he can align more and more of the confused data of his experience as it stands reversed. There is no dynamic of Succumb. There is often the apparency of an urge to succumb. This is to be understood fully only by the understanding of the several dynamics. They are interdependent and related. The suicide is attempting to survive through ridding himself of a condition which he views as a threat to his life and sanity.

The accident-prone individual is one who has become over-careful and senses dangers to one or another of the dynamics whether the dangers are present or not. Note, for instance, the sharply rising curve of highway deaths on and around the national "SD Day" (Safe Driving Day).

It is very clear that there is no such thing as a dynamic of succumb. There is only the mis-alignment of SURVIVE.

What, then, is the role that Life plays, and in what theater? The theater is the physical universe, the role assumed is The Dynamic, inclusive of all eight of its parts. Thus we have not one role to perform but seven at least, concurrently. And, not only do we have these roles to perform, but we have them to perform whether or not apparently opposed.

Self; sex and family; groups; mankind; life forms; the physical universe; spirit. Here is a blunt truth about life which the philosophers and the scientists of past ages have faced with a reluctance strong enough finally to turn every one of them away from the dynamic principle of existence itself

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which they had sought but had hoped to find easier. Yet, if they had only faced this truth!

Had they faced the truth of the Dynamics they would have found that there is a gradient scale of the handling of these challenges, that one can begin with what he can do, and go on to do better. Survival is won through knowing one's goal, and acting in the direction of that goal. As one succeeds toward his goal, and discovers more and more the ability to make decisions, he discovers the most important thing of all: - deciding and acting on survival decisions toward all the Dynamics does not kill. What it does is just the reverse - it increases the survival potential, and the ability to survive. Action teaches us one thing - the worst thing anyone can ever do about existence is to do nothing.

There are many things to be learned from an inspection of the Dynamics. In Scientology there are actual processes and exercises by which we can increase them. Yet, these processes and exercises are not something separate from life which one does in preparation for life. The use of Scientology, either by study and observation or by process and exercise, is in its entirety and direct application of one or several of the Dynamics to all the Dynamics, and is special only in its clarity of alignment. The use and study of Scientology is aligned toward survival and directly away from succumb.

Just as a man who can fight well and deliver a good blow can receive good blows with greater ease, so can a man who can live well in all the roles of the Dynamics receive the blows and threats of existence with relative ease, and go forward to seek greater and wider adventures.

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